(d) the action taken by Government on the complaints of supply of underweight cylinders and against the responsible officers?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (d) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported 31 cases of supply of underweight cylinders to consumers by their LPG distributors during period April—October 2005. The erring distributors have been penalized by OMCs in accordance with the provisions of the Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG).

Whenever OMCs receive complaints regarding the supply of underweight cylinders, these are investigated and if the complaint is established, suitable action taken against the LPG distributor(s) concerned in accordance with the provisions of the LPG Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG). In addition to the action taken by OMCs, the Weight and Measures Departments of the State/UT initiate legal action against those believed to be culpable.

CNG distribution centres in Rajasthan

t2228. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of CNG distribution centres for vehicles in different States alongwith State-wise details;

(b) the number of distribution centres in Rajasthan alongwith their locations;

(c) if answer to part(b) above is in the negative, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when and where these distribution centres are proposed to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) As on 1.12.2005, the details of CNG stations opened by GAIL/Joint Venture companies of GAILare as follows:—

State	Number of CNG Stations
Delhi	138
Uttar Pradesh	02
Andhra Pradesh	03
Gujarat	03 (In Vaghodia)
Maharashtra	115

Apart from these, a few CNG stations have been opened by private entities in a few cities in Gujarat.

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(b) At present, there is no CNG outlet in Rajasthan.

(c) and (d) The expansion of the CNG infrastructure in other cities is being taken up in a phased manner. GAIL propose to commence CNG supply to Kota, Rajasthan by the middle of 2006.

Use of LPG in cars

†2229. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether LPG is being used in cars in the country,

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) whether Government intend to encourage the use of LPG in cars?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR: (a) to (c) Government have permitted the sale of auto-LPG for vehicles outfitted for the purpose vide the Liquified Petroleum Gas (Regulation of Use in Motor Vehicle) Order, 2001. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have set up, and are setting up, Auto LPG Dispensing Stations (ALDS) based on their commercial considerations and upon the availability of suitable sites in various cities to meet the requirement of auto LPG.

At present, OMCs are operating 119 ALDS in different cities in the country. The details are enclosed as statement.

Statement

State-wise details of ALDS operating by public sector oil marketing companies.

States/UTs	Cities	Number of ALDS
Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	10
Andhra Pradesh	Tirupati	1
Andhra Pradesh	Visakh	1
Chandigarh	Chandigarh	2
Delhi	Delhi	16
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	8
Karnataka	Bangalore	17
Kerala	Trivandrum	1
Madhya Pradesh	Indore	1

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